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SUBJECT: AGENDA FOR THE SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH FONMIN KIFLE
WODAJO

1. IF SECRETARY RECEIVES FONMIN WODAJO, WE WOULD EXPECT LATTER
RAISE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. KAGNEW TENURE

KIFLE MAY ASK HOW LONG WE INTEND TO REMAIN AT KAGNEW.
SECRETARY MAY WISH TO REMIND FONMIN THAT AGREEMENT IS OPEN-
ENDED, AND SAY THAT WE CONSIDER KAGNEW TO BE VERY USEFUL
TO US AND CANNOT NOW DETERMINE HOW LONG IT WILL BE NEEDED. UNTIL

WE DO SO DETERMINE WE WILL CONSULT EPMG PROMPTLY.
MEANWHILE WE WANT TO REGULARIZE RECENT EPMG TAKEOVER OF
TWO SITES BY NEGOTIATING APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION.

B. MAP:

FONMIN MAY ASK FOR ADDITIONAL CREDIT FACILITIES, FOR
EXAMPLE IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED F5-E BUY. HE MAY ALSO
REQUEST SHORTENING OF LEAD TIMES ON MAJOR END ITEMS
SUCH AS F5-ES, HELICOPTERS, M60 TANKS, SECRE-
TARY'S REPLY CAN BEST BE CONSTRUCTED IN WASHINGTON.

2. SECRETARY MAY WISH TO RAISE FOLLOWING:

A. KAGNEW 4:

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EMBASSY RECOMMENDS SECRETARY REITERATE US POSITION

ON EPMG'S RESPONSIBILITIES IN SAFE RECOVERY OF KAGNEW 4.
HE MAY ALSO WISH TO REASSERT THAT USG WILL NOT CAPITULATE
TO BLACKMAIL AND DOES NOT EXPECT EPMG TO DO SO. SECRETARY
MAY WISH TO WEAVE INTO DISCUSSIONS ON THIS MATTER EX-
PRESSION OF USG'S EXPECTATION THAT EPMG WILL BEND EVERY
EFFORT TO ENSURE ADEQUATE PROTECTION FOR AMERICANS WORKING
IN ASMARA AREA.

B. ERITREA:

SECRETARY MAY WISH TO NOTE RECENT REPORTS OF RISING
LEVEL OF HOSTILITIES IN ERITREA WITH ATTENDANT COSTS TO
COMBATANTS AND CIVILIANS ALIKE, INCLUDING AMERICANS. USG
HAS NOTED EPMG'S DESIGNATION OF A NEW COMMITTEE TO SEEK A
SOLUTION TO THE ERITREAN PROBLEM. SINCE USG AND EPMG
AGREE THAT PROBLEM CANNOT BE DEALT WITH PURELY BY FORCE,
IT SEEMS INCREASINGLY URGENT TO SHIFT CONFLICT TO THE
POLITICAL ARENA. COULD FONMIN COMMENT ON STEPS HIS
GOVERNMENT NOW CONTEMPLATING TO MOVE ERITREAN PROBLEM
TOWARDS SETTLEMENT? WHAT IS STATUS OF SUDANESE MEDIATION
EFFORT?

C. KOREA:

EPMG IS UNDER STRONG AFRICAN AND NON-ALIGNED
PRESSURE TO VOTE FOR HOSTILE RESOLUTION ON KOREA AT
SEVENTH UNGA. KOREA HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED A MAJOR
AMERICAN INTEREST AT GA SECRETARY MAY WISH TO TELL

THE FONMIN PERSONALLY OF THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH
TO ETHIOPIA'S VOTE FOR FRIENDLY RESOLUTION. ALTHOUGH
WE MAY PROVE UNABLE MOVE EPMG OFF OF PREVIOUS POSITION
OF ABSTENTION, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT EFFORT BE MADE.

D. COMPENSATION FOR NATIONALIZED US INTERESTS:

SECRETARY MAY WISH TO REITERATE THAT FORM OF
GOVERNMENT ETHIOPIA HAS CHOSEN GIVES US NO TROUBLE.
WE ARE, HOWEVER, CONCERNED ABOUT NATIONALIZED
AMERICAN PROPERTY AND HOPE TO SEE ADEQUATE FORWARD
MOVEMENT ON DISCUSSION OF COMPENSATION.

3. DEPT SHOULD CONSIDER WHETHER TO RECOMMEND THAT THE
SECRETARY RAISE THE FOLLOWING:

A. EPMG'S ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PRIORITIES:

SECRETARY COULD SAY THAT USG PREPARED TO CONTINUE
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ITS ASSISTANCE BUT WOULD WELCOME EPMG'S VIEWS ON ITS
PRIORITIES. WHAT ARE THE PROBLEMS THAT MOST PREOCCUPY
EPMG? HOW CAN USG HELP TACKLE THEM?

B. PUERTO RICO:

WE HAVE ALREADY EXPRESSED USG'S DISMAY OVER EPMG'S OPTING

OUT ON THIS ISSUE. THE SECRETARY COULD REITERATE
AND REINFORCE OUR REPRESENTATIONS.

C. POLITICAL EXECUTIONS:

THE SECRETARY COULD EXPRESS USG'S GRATIFICATION
WITH EPMG'S STATEMENT OF RECORD ON SEPT. 12 THAT IT
DOES NOT INTEND TO CARRY OUT FURTHER EXECUTIONS OF
POLITICAL PRISONERS WITHOUT TRIAL. EPMG STATEMENT
HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO USG.

D. TFAI:

WE UNDERSTAND FUTURE OF TFAI LIKELY COME UP IN
UNGA. DOES ETHIOPIA INTEND TO RAISE IT OR WILL OTHERS?
WHAT ARE EPMG'S VIEWS?

E. SOMALI THREAT:

HOW DOES EPMG VIEW POSSIBILITY OF ARMED SOMALI
ACTION AGAINST ETHIOPIAN AND/OR KENYAN TERRITORY?
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